

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 25 with the following paragraph.

“According to one aspect of the invention, a method includes receiving a first creation command from a user interface and establishing a communication channel linking the command interpreter and the control instrument independent of the interface bus standard type ~~or~~ and interface hardware driver type. The method also includes providing a common communication interface between the user and the control instrument.”